

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

Cancel claims 15-19.

1. (as originally filed, presently pending) A method for securing a plaintext object within a content receiver, the method comprising steps of: receiving a secure portion of a secure object; receiving a plaintext remainder of the secure object; determining which portion of the secure object is the secure portion; decrypting the secure portion to provide a plaintext portion; forming the plaintext object that comprises the plaintext portion and the plaintext remainder; and storing the plaintext object.

2. (as originally filed, presently pending) The method for securing the plaintext object within the content receiver as recited in claim 1, further comprising steps of: selecting a secure portion of the plaintext object to encrypt; encrypting the secure portion; sending the secure portion and a plaintext remainder to a content receiver; and providing a key that is used in decryption of the secure portion.

3. (as originally filed, presently pending) The method for securing the plaintext object within the content receiver as recited in claim 1, further comprising a step of reporting purchase of the plaintext object a point away from the content receiver.

4. (as originally filed, presently pending) The method for securing the plaintext object within the content receiver as recited in claim 3, wherein the second listed receiving step is performed before the reporting step.

5. (as originally filed, presently pending) The method for securing the plaintext object within the content receiver as recited in claim 1, wherein the decrypting step comprises a step of decrypting the secure portion with an access control processor.

6. (as originally filed, presently pending) The method for securing the plaintext object within the content receiver as recited in claim 1, wherein the secure portion is less than one-half the size of the secure object.

7. (as originally filed, presently pending) A method for securing a plaintext object within a conditional access system, the method comprising steps of: selecting a secure portion of the plaintext object to encrypt; encrypting the secure portion; sending the secure portion of the plaintext object to a content receiver; sending a plaintext remainder of the plaintext object to the content receiver; and providing a key to the content receiver wherein the key is used in decryption of the secure portion.

8. (as originally filed, presently pending) The method for securing the plaintext object within the conditional access system as recited in claim 7, further comprising steps of: receiving the secure portion of a secure object; receiving the plaintext remainder of the secure object; determining which portion of the secure object is the secure portion; decrypting the secure portion to provide a plaintext portion; forming the plaintext object that comprises the plaintext portion and the plaintext remainder; and storing the plaintext object.

9. (as originally filed, presently pending) The method for securing the plaintext object within the conditional access system as recited in claim 7, further comprising a step of reporting purchase of the plaintext object a point away from the content receiver.

10. (as originally filed, presently pending) The method for securing the plaintext object within the conditional access system as recited in claim 9, wherein the reporting step is performed before the second listed sending step.

11. (as originally filed, presently pending) The method for securing the plaintext object within the conditional access system as recited in claim 7, further comprising a step of determining the secure portion wherein removal of the secure portion from the plaintext object renders the plaintext object inoperable.

12. (as originally filed, presently pending) The method for securing the plaintext object within the conditional access system as recited in claim 7, further comprising a step of changing authorization of the content receiver from a point remote to the content receiver.

13. (as originally filed, presently pending) The method for securing the plaintext object within the conditional access system as recited in claim 7, further comprising a step of receiving purchase information from the content receiver at a location remote to the content receiver.

14. (as originally filed, presently pending) The method for securing the plaintext object within the conditional access system as recited in claim 7, wherein the key is a symmetric key.

15. (presently cancelled) A method for securing an object within a content receiver, the method comprising steps of: receiving a first portion of the object; recognizing a purchase request from a user of the content receiver for the object; reporting the purchase request to a point away from the content receiver; receiving a second portion of the object after the reporting step; and storing the object in the content receiver.

16. (presently cancelled) The method for securing the object within the content receiver as recited in claim 15, wherein the second portion is received in encrypted form.

17. (presently cancelled) The method for securing the object within the content receiver as recited in claim 15, wherein the first portion is greater than nine hundred percent larger than the second portion.

18. (presently cancelled) The method for securing the object within the content receiver as recited in claim 15, further comprising the step of reformulating the object from the first and second portions.

19. (presently cancelled) The method for securing the object within the content receiver as recited in claim 15, wherein the second listed receiving step comprises a step of receiving the second portion by way of a secured distribution channel.